### **#DidYouKnow: BLOOD FACTS**

SOMEONE NEEDS BLOOD EVERY



SECONDS

1 in 7 people entering a hospital will need blood



## THERE IS NO SUBSTITUTE FOR BLOOD

Blood travels through

# **60,000 MILES**

of vessels inside you, enough to wrap around the earth's equator roughly 2.5 times





#### **RED BLOOD CELLS**

carry oxygen throughout the body and must be transfused within 42 days

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#### **PLATELETS**

promote blood clotting and must be used within five days

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PLASMA is 92

percent water, carries nutrients throughout the body and can be frozen up to 1 year

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700 DONORS

are needed **EVERY DAY** to meet the blood needs of hospital patients in our region





